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In Memoriam

"In the midst of life we are in death." The force of this solemn declaration was emphatically and painfully realized by the class of '06 of the Law Department of Howard University when, on Jan. 7th, the "Grim Reaper" thrust in his sickle and took from our midst our beloved classmate, Wm. H. Brannon, of New Orleans. Wm. H. Brannon was born in Georgia and at an early age went to New Orleans, where after passing through the Preparatory Department of New Orleans University, he spent two years upon his university course. In 1903 he came to Washington and entered the government service in the department of Geological Survey. In October of the same year he entered the Law school as a member of the class of '06. In the summer of 1904 he was married to Miss Adell Solomon, of New Orleans, from which happy union one child survives him.

In last October when the class reassembled for its last year's work, it was pained to learn that by reason of poor health Mr. Brannon was prevented from taking his place among its ranks.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY CLASS

From the Great Court of all the earth, a summons has been issued and our classmate, friend and brother, W. H. Brannon of New Orleans, in answer thereto has filed his final appearance, once for all, in the Great Court beyond before whose bar none but the purest can stand and upon whose membership roll the names of none but the worthiest of the worthy are recorded.

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Our Interest in the Present Session of Congress.

The Howard student has an excellent chance to keep abreast of the times, for he has the good fortune of being a temporary resident of the Capital City, the news center of the United States and of the Western world during its busiest and breeziest times. Congress is in session and the Supreme Court holds its term during our school year, and no student of Howard should fail to take advantage of the opportunities offered to see and hear these great departments of our government as they really are. Should he take advantage of these opportunities he would end his school days here a much wiser man than when he came, and he would have covered more ground than is laid down in the curriculum. By his experience he would be armed with the weapons of debate, adorned with the ornaments of oratory, stocked with the wares of information concerning great economic questions—and above all charged with the fire of patriotism.

Take the Senate for an instance and if you are especially fond of questions relating to constitutional government, follow in the wake of Spooner, Daniels and Bailey, the trio of great constitutional lawyers, and you will learn more about the constitution, its growth, and development than you could ever learn in the class rooms. If you are interested in questions concerning our tariff system—go to the Senate galleries and listen to Aldrich, Allison and Cullom, and you will have a clearer conception of the tariff, of protection and free trade, than you could ever glean from the pages of a text book. Do you

ponder over pages in your political economy relating to trusts, corporations and questions concerning capital and labor? You would do better by going to the Capitol and learning these lessons from the lips of Knox, Foraker, Elkins and Dooliver. Probably you are fond of reading of our foreign policy—then Lodge and Morgan will afford you great delight, and we could speak of Beveridge with his historic arguments on the admission of states, we could hear the leading Democrats score the President for his Santo Domingo policy—hear Tillman, Gorman, Bacon and Keyser as they criticize the administration's policy in the Philippines or in matters concerning the construction of the Panama Canal. There are several measures which can be classed as historic, now passing through the ponderous machinery of the Senate. We should go there and see these measures pass from one state of legislative perfection to another until at last it is turned out the finished piece of workmanship of skilled statesmen.

Character More Important than Reputation

Character is a great deal more important than reputation. We are personally responsible for our character, but we are not personally responsible for our reputation. Our character depends on what we are; our reputation depends on what others think we are. If we will take good care of our character, we need not trouble ourselves about our reputation. Our reputation may change with the changes of popular opinion and feeling, but our character will not change so long as we are what we are. Yet as a practical matter we are more likely to worry over our reputation than over our character. How foolish this is!—Exchange.

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Washington, D. C., January 26, 1906.

Fifty cents per year, seems a small price for such a paper as we are endeavoring to make The Journal. We wish The Journal to be not only a six-page paper and a weekly paper, but an interesting one, as well, and if the price is small for us to meet our desires it becomes absolutely essential for our readers to pay their subscriptions.

Short articles of from three to five hundred words are especially acceptable to the editors of The Journal. Why not write?

There are many of the readers of The Journal who remember the quaint philosophy of "Uncle Jasper," which was a feature of the earlier editions. For reasons which have not been explained we have not seen much of him for a long

time. In this edition appears "Uncle Jasper on the abolition of football." We are glad to welcome him back to the columns of The Journal. Even though he may not always reflect the sentiment of The Journal it appreciates his common sense view of things.

It is pleasant to be drawn from the daily tasks and routine of the school day to listen to such an address as was delivered in the chapel yesterday by Dr. Grimke. The occasion was the Day of Prayer for Colleges, and Dr. Grimke urged upon all the necessity of the pure life and the immediate acceptance of the principle of right living in his usual forceful and earnest manner.

The meeting of the Alpha Phi last Friday night was a most interesting one. It is to be hoped that that same amount of energy and enthusiasm will remain in the society. If not shown along the line of parliamentary procedure in the transaction of business, for there is not often such business as was then before the society, let it be exerted along the literary lines, and the making of even more excellent programs.

The Silver Loving Cup

The girls of Howard University shall not permit any opportunity to pass whereby they can show their true love for "dear old Howard." It is their yells from the side lines that inspire some rugged disciple of the pigskin to plunge fiercely time and again into the enemy's line—their inspiring songs that urge some tawny fellow to firmly plant the oval across the coveted yet strongly defended goal line.

No one can calculate just how great a part of the credit, just how much of the glory and honor that come to us from these athletic contests, are due to our loyal girls.

The Journal believes also that no

one will be more ready to show the substantial reward, to give the merited praise, to bestow the fitting tribute as has been proposed to our captain, than our girls.

Let us take up this pleasant task in the right spirit—if necessary let social gatherings, or musicals, or some typical college entertainments be given for the purpose of getting this silver loving cup. By all means let the contributions begin to come in—let class vie with class—let departments vie with departments—in this noble effort to secure fund for the silver loving cup for John Shorter, the plucky little captain of '04 and '05.

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Oliver M. Randolph \$1.00
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SOCIETIES

THE ALPHA PHI

It has been some time since the Alpha Phi held such an exciting and interesting meeting as last Friday evening. From the time that the president called for the Inter-collegiate Debate Committee's report until adjournment he was recognizing different members.

In as much as the committee reported the names of C. C. Sanford and F. D. Whithy, it was allowed to retire and select one name. After about fifteen minutes intermission the committee reported the name of C. C. Sanford. Mr. Sanford's name was rejected on the grounds that he had recently resigned from the Henry A. Brown Prize Debate. After a short discussion it was decided that the house select the third disputant for the intercollegiate debate.

At this critical moment Mr. Randolph arose and with the dignity of a Congressman criticised very severely the method by which the other disputant had been chosen; at the end of his timely and spirited speech he in a very eloquent manner nominated Mr. Ocea (Continued on fifth page.)

In Memoriam.

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While we fully realize that our loss is our brother's as well as heaven's gain, and while we know that we should rejoice with our brother in his exalted promotion, yet the human frailty in us makes our heads bow in sorrow and our hearts bleed from sadness while we try to meekly and humbly submit to the will of Him who doeth all things well, and to trustingly whisper: "Thy will, not ours be done." Our dear friend and brother during his association with us, has, by his manly bearing, high christian life, quiet unassuming manner, faithful, earnest and diligent application to the class and class duty, his courteous kindly treatment of all, so endeared himself to us that his untimely departure leaves an aching void in our hearts that earth can never fill."

But let us find consolation in the thought that this sweet life has not gone out but has simply gone down to rise upon a fairer shore and there to shine on throughout eternity; and that other sweet thought that some jewels are too precious for earthly ruggedness, so God takes them to adorn his heavenly diadem. We could not be unmindful of the unbearable burden of sorrow that has fallen upon his young wife and precious child by his untimely demise.

Therefore we, the class of 1966 of the Law Department of Howard University, Washington, D. C., do hereby express to them our sincerest sympathy in this their "night of sorrow" and assure them they are not bearing their burden alone.

Resolved that we commend them for strength, succor and consolation to Him who, ever ready to share our sorrows, invites us to bring all our trouble to Him: to Him who wept with Mary and Martha in their great sorrow and who sees and weeps with them in this their sore bereavement.

Resolved further that because of the love and friendship for our beloved friend and classmate, we and

each of us hereby pledge ourselves that wherever we may go or be if ever opportunity presents itself we will gladly and willingly render to his dear ones, whatever service in our power may lie.

Resolved that in the death of our friend, the country has lost a worthy citizen, our class a faithful and beloved member, and his family a tender husband and loving father.

Resolved further that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the class and a copy presented to the wife of our friend and classmate.

Uncle Jasper on The Abolition of Football

"Good morning, Uncle Jasper!"

"Good mawnin, Daniel Webster Noall! How beze yer dis mawnin?"

"I feel as fine as the day appears. Isn't this ideal weather, especially for you and me, who were born and reared far from the snow and sleet of winter?"

"Dis wether is abright, but Ah've seed bettah!"

"Uncle Jasper I read an account in the newspaper not long ago, concerning some of the colleges considering the advisability of abolishing the playing of football."

"Ah doan wondah!"

"And since that time I learned that two of foremost universities have decided upon its discontinuance."

"Ah knowed dat would hap'n sooner or later!"

"But, Uncle Jasper, see what injury these schools inflict upon themselves. The fame of our universities is heralded through their athletics and football is the chief of athletic sports."

"Ah know you dun heard bout da buse uv a priblige is sfishent rezun ter prive one of dat priblige. Ah know you dun hyer dat."

"I know; but all seems to happen because of the few unfortunate accidents which have occurred recently. The game might have

been reformed, but it ought never to have been abolished."

"Say look a hyer, boy, am yo wingin yer flite inter de thieral rems uv stubbon logie an lofty dickshun, dat yer may kass me inter der dark purplexin regium uv misundah standing? Why uv a l da barber us habits and kustoms uv Merikins dere is but one mo knil dan foot ball. An dat is lynchin. Ez ah speke Ah dont ef it is kruler ter hang hum da lim uv a sapplin wid yer boddy filled wid bullets, dan ter ly berid neath da crushin wate uv leben burly yungstahs wid yer bleedin hed filled wid spikes."

Wen peerens sen dey loved ones ter colidge, dey sen dem ter emprove da mine. Not so much ter make a name in der school but ter make a livin wen dey git out. Of ter do dey entah in der blame uv yuthe and depart mental recks—hopelis cripples—charges pon deir families. Hitts ezy nuff ter say 'form da game. But how yer goen ter do it? Wen doze lebben men git tergeter lined up genst lebben mo uv ekwal wate dere are lebben soles wid but one single thought, one puppose, one intent: Wm, fair or towl. Dere is but one way uv rif form, an dat way done peared to da thorties uv Chumbia an Harvard Universities."

"I shall be sorry if the public should view the situation through your lens."

"How else dey goin see it? De trufe am de light."

The School Teacher's Creed

I believe in boys and girls, the men and women of a great tomorrow; that whatsoever the boy soweth, the man shall reap. I believe in the curse of ignorance, in the efficiency of schools, in the dignity of teaching, and in the joy of serving others. I believe in wisdom as revealed in human lives as well as in the pages of printed books, in lessons taught, not so much by precept as by example, in ability to work with the hands as well as think with the head, in everything that makes life larger and more

I believe in beauty in the school-room, in the home, in daily life and in out-of-doors. I believe in laughter, in love, in faith, in all ideals and distant hopes that lure us on. I believe that every hour of every day we receive a just reward for all we are and all we do. I believe in the present and its opportunities, the future and its promises and the divine joy of living. Amen.—From an exchange.

WIT AND FUN

FROM EXCHANGES

Lame Clerk—What will you have, Madam?

Lady Shopper—I wish to look at some ribbon, please.

Lame Clerk (walking in front)—Just walk this way.

Lady Shopper—I am insulted. I shall not purchase.

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When gazing at the white water of the stupendous falls of Niagara the admirer felt a touch upon the arm. Turning he saw an individual who sighed forth: "It seems a pity to have all this going to waste doesn't it?" "What are you?" asked the admirer, "an electrical engineer?" "No," was the answer, "I'm a milkman."

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Howell—They are close friends, aren't they.

Powell—Yes, neither can borrow a cent from the other.

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Mrs. Caller—You surely don't give your husband a necktie every Christmas?

Mrs. Athome—Oh yes, I do; and the poor dear never seems to know that it is the same one.

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The Christmas gift she gave to me
You cannot see at all;
It ne'er before existed;

'Twas neither large nor small.
She gave it and she took it,
There's nothing left to show,
And yet it made me happy
Beneath the mistletoe.

Teacher—Take the sentence: "The pupil loves his teacher;" what is that?

Pupil—Sarcasm.

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ALPHA PHI

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Taylor, Messrs. Davis and Marchant were also nominated. But Mr. Marchant having declined, the fight was between Mr. Taylor and Mr. Davis. Mr. Taylor was elected to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Mr. C. E. Smith.

After the reading of Mr. Tate's resignation from the intercollegiate debate, he explained in full reasons for resigning. His resignation was rejected, after a heated discussion.

The three speakers for the intercollegiate debate were then unanimously elected.

Mr. Vanderhorst's resignation from the Henry A. Brown Prize Debate was tabled, after which the meeting adjourned.

The society also had a called meeting on Thursday at 12:30. It was decided that in view of the social at Miner Hall this evening there would be no meeting of the society. Mr. Oliver M. Randolph was appointed chairman of the Intercollegiate Debate Committee, since Mr. Taylor, formerly chairman, was elected as one of the disputants.



ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4, 1905.
To the members of Howard University Athletic Association:

Realizing the extent to which the interests of Howard have been paralyzed by the lack of financial support, and feeling that it is, possibly, beyond the power of undergraduates alone successfully to combat this difficulty, we the undersigned, representing a large number of the Alumni and former students of Howard, do submit the following proposition:

We will relieve the Association of all worry and responsibility as to finance, and will guarantee to it more and better games, if it will turn over to the Alumni the entire financial phase of the Association,

including the printing, distributing, and sale of tickets, etc.

It is the desire of the Alumni that there be a joint committee, composed of three Alumni, three members of the Association and the Faculty representative, whose duties shall be to pass upon the games and all matters demanding expenditures, previously decided upon by the Association. Four shall constitute a quorum. The action of this committee is to be final.

If an agreement can be reached we feel assured that by careful manipulation of financial affairs, together with our annual contribution fund, we will be able to bring our Alma Mater in contact with institutions to which she, herefore, has been unknown.

Hoping to hear from the Athletic Association at once, we are,

Yours for Old Howard,

J. M. CARTER,
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THE COUNCIL

On Wednesday afternoon at three the Council of Upper Classmen held a very successful business meeting. Mr. Dodd, ex-treasurer, made a statement concerning his report to be made to the Council at an early date. The date for the

"Informal Prom" was announced as March 1st. Several appropriations of funds were made and a committee to revise the constitution, with Mr. W. H. Washington Chairman, was appointed. The special feature of the meeting was the interest shown by the medical students, in the substantial working of the organization.

NOTICES

The Alpha Phi will not meet this evening.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will give a social this evening. All members are invited.

No meeting of the Eureka tonight

Vesper Service as usual on Sunday at 4:30. Dr. Ewell will deliver the address.

The Council of Upperclassmen announces March the first as the date for the Annual "Prom."

Y. M. C. A. meets on Sunday at 6:15 in lower Chapel.

Regular meeting of the Athletic Association at noon on Monday.

Rehearsal for Elijah Chorus this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Band rehearsal, 3 o'clock today

PERSONALS

Mr. Smith Wornley '09, also teacher in the City Schools, and Miss Mamie Cheatam, of the M Street High School, were married Jan. 15th. Many congratulations to them.

Mr. T. S. Grasty, one time a student at Howard and very popular among the students and in city circles, was married to Miss Anna Dorkins of Pittsburg on their return to Oberlin after spending the holidays at the home of the bride. We wish them much happiness and success.

Her many friends, both of the students and faculty, were glad to see Miss Eva Johnson in Chapel on Sunday afternoon.

We note with regret the inability of Dean Moore to deliver the address on Sunday afternoon. We hope that his illness will not be long, and that he may soon return with vigor to his many duties.

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